

## CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO CONSIDER THE 2018 PM<sub>2.5</sub> STATE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

The California Air Resources Board (CARB or Board) will conduct a public meeting at the time and place noted below to consider adoption of the *2018 Plan for the 1997, 2006, and 2012 PM<sub>2.5</sub> Standards* (2018 PM<sub>2.5</sub> Plan or Plan) for the San Joaquin Valley (Valley). The Plan sets forth the comprehensive strategy of the San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District (District) and CARB to meet four federal National Ambient Air Quality Standards under the Clean Air Act for fine particulate matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>) in the Valley, and will be added to California's State Implementation Plan (SIP) required by the Act.

DATE: January 24, 2019

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

LOCATION: The Grand 1401  
1401 Fulton St, 10th Floor Ballroom  
Fresno, California 93721

This item will be considered at a meeting of the Board, which will commence at 9:00 a.m., January 24, 2019, and may continue at 8:30 a.m., on January 25, 2019. Please consult the agenda for the meeting, which will be available at least ten days before January 24, 2019, to determine the day on which this item will be considered.

#### **Background**

Meeting health-based fine particulate matter (PM<sub>2.5</sub>) standards by the middle of the next decade is the Valley's greatest air quality challenge. The 2018 PM<sub>2.5</sub> Plan reflects three years of collaboration between CARB and the District as well as valuable and formative input of numerous Valley stakeholders to develop a comprehensive strategy to achieve clean air in the Valley. This Plan presents a wide-ranging vision for reducing PM<sub>2.5</sub> pollution and demonstrates that the Valley will attain all federal PM<sub>2.5</sub> air quality standards by 2025. The standards include the 24-hour standard of 65 micrograms per cubic meter (µg/m<sup>3</sup>), the annual 15 µg/m<sup>3</sup> standard, the 24-hour 35 µg/m<sup>3</sup> standard, and the annual 12 µg/m<sup>3</sup> standard. Attainment deadlines are 2020 for the 65 and 15 µg/m<sup>3</sup> standards, 2024 for the 35 µg/m<sup>3</sup> standard, and 2025 for the 12 µg/m<sup>3</sup> standard.

The proposed strategy to attain the PM<sub>2.5</sub> standards builds on existing controls on mobile, stationary, and area sources, and also includes commitments from CARB and the District to strengthen or add new measures. Commitments are in the form of both regulatory and incentive measures to ensure that emissions reductions are achieved as effectively and expeditiously as possible.

District measures include controls on wood-burning fireplaces and heaters, enhanced incentives to install control technology on commercial underfired charbroilers, and conservation management practices to reduce fugitive dust. The District is also pursuing

a suite of measures addressing emissions from sources such as flares, internal combustion engines, and boilers. CARB's commitment to reduce emissions from mobile sources in the Valley is detailed in the *San Joaquin Valley Supplement to the 2016 State Strategy for the State Implementation Plan* (Valley State SIP Strategy), adopted by the Board in October 2018. This Strategy builds on existing mobile source controls described in the earlier statewide 2016 State SIP Strategy and includes new measures, both regulatory and incentive. Together, these District and CARB measures will provide significant air quality benefits for the Valley for the 2018 PM2.5 Plan.

CARB staff has concluded that the 2018 PM2.5 Plan satisfies SIP planning requirements of the federal Clean Air Act for each of the four PM2.5 standards, including attainment demonstration, best available control measure and most stringent measure demonstration, reasonable further progress demonstration, contingency measures for attainment, and transportation conformity budgets.

On November 15, 2018, the District Governing Board adopted the 2018 PM2.5 Plan and forwarded the Plan to CARB. In turn, the CARB Board will consider adopting the Plan and, if adopted, will forward it to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) for inclusion in the California SIP. The Board has previously heard updates on the Valley's strategy for reducing PM2.5 pollution during the Plan development process in September 2017 and November 2017.

### **Proposed Action**

CARB staff recommends that the Board adopt the *2018 Plan for the 1997, 2006, and 2012 PM2.5 Standards* and direct staff to submit it to the U.S. EPA as a revision to the California SIP.

CARB staff will present a written staff report at the meeting. Copies of the report may be obtained from CARB's Public Information Office, 1001 I Street, First Floor, Environmental Services Center, Sacramento, California, 95814, December 21, 2018. The report may also be obtained from CARB's website at [www.arb.ca.gov/planning/sip/planarea/sanjnvllysip.htm](http://www.arb.ca.gov/planning/sip/planarea/sanjnvllysip.htm).

Interested members of the public may present comments orally or in writing at the meeting and may provide comments by postal mail or by electronic submittal before the meeting. To be considered by the Board, written comments not physically submitted at the meeting, must be received **no later than 5:00 p.m., January 22, 2019**, and addressed to the following:

Postal mail: Clerk of the Board, California Air Resources Board  
1001 I Street, Sacramento, California 95814

Electronic submittal: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/lispub/comm/bclist.php>

Please note that under the California Public Records Act (Government Code section 6250 et seq.), your written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g., your address, phone, email, etc.) become part of the public record and can be released to the public upon request.

CARB requests that written statements on this item be filed at least ten days prior to the meeting so that CARB staff and Board members have additional time to consider each comment. Further inquiries regarding this matter should be directed to Webster Tasat, Manager, Central Valley Air Quality Planning Section, at (916) 323-4950, or Laura Carr, Air Pollution Specialist, Central Valley Air Quality Planning Section, at (916) 324-5931.

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Richard W. Corey  
Executive Officer

Date: December 21, 2018

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